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**Middle East Scavenger Hunt:**

Swords of Qadisiyah

*\*The Middle East is a region that encompasses West Asia & Northern Africa in terms of geography, culture, and history. In order to gain a basic understanding of this region, complete the following scavenger hunt.*

***\**Directions:** By yourself use the internet to find the answers to the following questions.

1.  What countries are considered part of the “Middle East?”  How is the “Middle East” defined?

2.  Identify 5 religions of the Middle East.

3.  Identify 5 ethnic groups of this region.

4.  What are the predominate languages spoken in the Middle East and where are they spoken?

5.  Compare the economies of Yemen & Saudi Arabia.  What does this say about the Middle East?

6.  Why is the Middle East referred to as the “Cradle of Civilization?”

7.  Explain what the Middle East is known for providing to the world?

8.  Identify two conflicts in this region since WWII. Include the countries involved.

9.  Give two examples of how the Middle East has influenced American politics.

10.  What is the estimated population of the Middle East?

11.  What is the “Empty Quarter?”

12.  What is the Fertile Crescent? What is significant about this region in terms of the Middle East?

13.  Explain the proper sequence of monotheistic religions in the region.

14.  Which country is the only country in the Middle East that is considered in both Asia and Europe?

15.  Identify a country that gets nearly all of its oil from the Middle East?

16.  What modern day country in the Middle East was once called Mesopotamia?

17.  What is the structure pictured below? What does this say about parts of the Middle East?



18.  What is the structure below and why was it built? What does this image say about the region?



 19. What does OPEC stand for?

20. List the original members of OPEC from 1960.

21. List the countries added to OPEC in order of admission.

22. Who is the current Prime Minister of Israel?

23. Gamal Abdel Nasser was the leader of what country? What years did he rule this country?

24. Who was the leader of Iran before the Islamic Revolution of 1979?

25. What did the Iranians do that severely damaged relations with the United States during the Revolution?